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The present Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in accordance with the Applicants' duty of disclosure.

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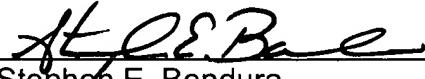
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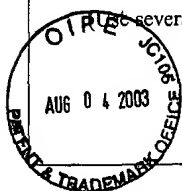
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